# Annual General Meeting-5th March 2020 18:30

Sleaford Town Hall, Quayside House, Navigation Yard, Sleaford



## **Annual General Meeting 2020**

# Election Ballots Enclosed With This Newsletter Candidate Statements Inside



FREE PIZZA AND CHIPS PROVIDED

If you have any dietary requirements please contact us in advance.

Photo Pledge Competition - £20 Gift Vouchers To Be Won!

ALL TRAVEL EXPENSES WILL BE COVERED

If you want to get more involved with UNISON please contact the branch.

#### Need help?

Our email: lincshealthbranch@gmail.com
Our number: 07716558647

Our office hours: 9am –5pm, Monday–Friday)

### Why not encourage a colleague to join us?

You can use the application form on the last page, join online at www.unison.org.uk or call 0800 171 2194

#### **Branch Elections!**

This year, we have five contested elections. It is a testament to the growing strength and activity of the Branch that more and more people are putting themselves for roles as reps and as officers who feel they can make a difference for our members. Ballot papers will be included with this newsletter. Please see the statements from the candidates below to inform you in your choices.

#### Candidates for Branch Chair

#### **Angie Tunnicliffe**

I have been a workplace rep for LCHS since August 2015 and the lead for LCHS for 2 years.

During my time as Branch Chair I have achieved - equipping the Lincoln office with furniture, storage, equipment and supplies, appointed a Branch admin to take all member referrals. have negotiated more time for reps to support members. I have introduced systems so that when your rep is unavailable another rep can easily pick up your case.

I would like your support for the role of chair and will achieve bigger and better things for you.

#### **Harriet Moreton**

My name is Harriet and I am standing for the branch position of chair. Having stood in the vice chair position I have watched and learnt from the previous chair and then stepped up into the chair position when the previous chair stepped down. I am passionate about the things that effect our members and myself due to my clinical role. I am looking forward if successful to work with the branch to make sure the issues raised from our members are addressed to improve their clinical and nonclinical working environments.

#### Candidates for Vice Chair

#### **Tina Rymer**

My name is Tina Rymer and I am going for the position of vice chair. I am currently the health and safety officer and lead convenor for ULHT at the Grantham site. By going for vice chair and having a good working relationship with other activists and the committee within the branch. I feel my roles I currently hold, and the role of vice chair will enable me to make sure the needs of the members are met, and any concerns addressed to improve their working conditions.

I have worked for LCHS since mid 2002, 14 years in UCC and 3 years in ICT admin NE. I have been a Unison rep for a number of years and am currently training to become a workplace rep, I am a health and safety rep for LCHS.

I would enjoy the challenge of being vice chair and supporting the branch, as I have never held an officers role before I would be a fresh perspective on issues and would strive to continue the excellent progress the branch is making.

#### Candidates for Treasurer

#### Kyse Gailani

As a new Steward to Lincolnshire Health branch, I am hoping to get more involved with Unison by applying for the role of branch treasurer, as I believe I have excellent financial skills and could use certain techniques that will help carry out the job of branch treasurer effectively, to improve basic financial information and communicating between branch, regional office, and head office so that the executive can make informed decisions.

#### **Garry Atkinson**

I have been treasurer for the last 2 years, I have worked hard on gaining the trust and respect from our debtors and staff. arranging a single point contact address with an office in Lincoln where everything is registered to that address. This enables us to make sure we don't miss any payments as previously before I came into post. We couldn't continue with everything being sent to officer's address's with no-trace of where confidential letters where going. I feel I have worked hard to make changes. I have really enjoyed doing this as part of my Unison work.

#### Candidates for Lifelong Learning Co-Ordinator

#### Sandra Townsend

I've been a Union Learning Rep (ULR) for 3 years during which I've worked with reps from across Lincolnshire to bring our members a wide range of FREE workshops including the previous ones I've put on myself being 'The Menopause' and 'The Power to say No' & of course FREE courses. I want to work with employers to help ensure adequate time and resources are in place for workplace training for all, whatever our role.

I am committed to helping recruit more ULRs, help provide learning and training, and organise interesting workshops and courses to build skills and confidence.

#### **Harriet Moreton**

My name is Harriet and I am standing for the position of lifelong learning coordinator. Having been in the previous position within branch of education officer and going for this position again. The positions work together, and I feel by doing both positions and using the skills I've learnt from my education officer role to support both activist and members within the branch to address their training needs and help them build their skills up and confidence up within their working environment and everyday life.

#### **Candidate Statements** Continued...

#### Candidates for Welfare Officer

#### Julie Taylor

I am the current Welfare Officer; I have held this position for 3 years and I am current with all Welfare training. I would love to continue within this role supporting staff from all 3 local Trusts and also the Private and voluntary sector. The Welfare role is different to other roles within UNISON. Our one aim is to try and help in any way we can. We can support with the application for financial assistance and point people in the right direction for debt advice. I pride myself on confidentiality and follow GDPR rules with all cases.

#### **Kaz Scott**

No statement submitted.

#### **Uncontested Officer Elections**

The following have been duly elected as Officers of the Branch having been the sole nominees for each role;

Secretary—Liz Lowe

Health and Safety Officer—Tina Rymer

Education Co-Ordinator—Harriet Moreton

Communications Officer—Kaz Scott

Retired Members Secretary—Bob Bushell

#### **Stewards and Reps Elected by Workplace**

The following have been duly elected as reps for their respective workplaces\*

#### United Lincolnshire Hospitals Trust

Lead Convenor—Liz Lowe

Grantham Sub-Lead—Tina Rymer

Boston Sub-Lead—Sharon Wigglesworth

Stewards—Sharon Wigglesworth, Tina Rymer, Harriet More-

ton, Liz Lowe, Kyse Gailani

Health and Safety Rep—Tina Rymer

Learning Rep-Jean Shutt

#### Lincolnshire Partnership Foundation Trust

Lead Convenor—Richard Holmes

Stewards—Sven Tasker, Richard Holmes, Allyson Haxby, Jo **Davies** 

Haxby

Learning Reps—Sandra Townsend, Sven Tasker

#### Lincolnshire Community Health Services

Lead Convenor—Angie Tunnicliffe Stewards—Angie Tunnicliffe, Di Rastall, Garry Hampshire Health and Safety Rep-Kaz Scott, Di Rastall Learning Rep—Vacant

\*some reps may not appear on this list as they have been appointed but have not yet completed training.

#### Thinking of becoming an Officer or a Rep?

Following the close of nominations on 14th January 2020, the following Branch Officer positions remain vacant. If you want to learn more about what the Branch and it's Officers and Reps do, or if are interested in standing for any of these positions or becoming a rep yourself please email lincshealthbranch@gmail.com, phone 07716558647 or speak to your Lead Convenor for more information.

- Assistant Branch Secretary
- Equality Officer
- International Officer
- Labour Link Officer
- Young Members Officer

#### **Photo Pledge Competition - £20 Gift Vouchers To Be Won!**

Prizes: 1x£20 voucher for each of the 5 sectors of the branch -ULHT, LPFT, NHSPS, LCHS and Private & Voulentary (P&V)

**How to enter:** Take a photo with the pledge at the back of this newsletter – post it publicly on Facebook, twitter or Instagram with the hashtags #lincshealthAGM2020 and one of #ULHT #LPFT #LCHS #PandV

Alternatively, you can email your pledge

to lincshealthbranch@gmail.com including your full name, and which sector of the branch you work in. Please indicate if you would be happy for the branch to share your photo on social

Closing date for entries: 5pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March 2020

The Draw: The winner for each area will be selected at random at the AGM – if the selected winner is not present another will be selected.

#### Correction

Some previous correspondence regarding this year's AGM stated that the Branch would cover any childcare costs incurred by members attending the AGM. This is unfortunately not the case and was a miss-print carried over from previous years' correspondence. We apologise for any confusion this Health and Safety Reps—Julie Taylor, Richard Holmes, Allyson may have caused. The Branch will, however, cover any travel costs incurred provided receipts are kept and submitted to lincshealthbranch@gmail.com after the AGM.